## JEAN ELIOTS LETTER'

SAN DEAR: Prepare to hear me rave. I am about to launch into a defense of my home town, s give you fair warning.

Haven't you constantly heard the cry here are no men in Washington; have and, what is more, I have made wail myself. It is a nice theory, the trouble being that it isn't true lking the subject over with several mewhat startling conclusion that not ly is Washington full of eligible men how I hate that expression but of en who have done things and who ount to something in the world. The friculty which the hostess has in dancing men is probably ie to the fact that the men of real insequence are too much occupied with usiness and affairs of state to have uch time to devote to the continuous and of festivities which fills up ashington season.

Certain it is that there are men and cal men in Washington by the score nd no mean percentage of them are chelors. There is Judge McReynolds r instance sometime Attorney General le may be a confirmed bachelor, he has pparently managed so far to keep himheart whole and fancy free; but e is certainly a most eligible party and charming person to boot. The Third Assistant Postmaster General, Alexanier Dockery, is another bachelor, and man of real attainments. His potion here is most responsible, the postsavings branch of the Postoffice Deartment coming directly under him; and at home he is a political force. Ineed, he was at one time governor of the State of Missouri

Then there is John Barrett, beloved f hostesses and the delight of the deutante. Mr. Barrett is, however, souch nore than a mere social butterfly. The dea of the Pan-American Union originated in his brain, largely through his work it became not only a possibility but a reality.

Of course, there is a horde of young iplomats here, not always eligible, pertaps, but dear to the heart of the ostess and the jeune fille. And there are, be it known, no less than six forign ministers accredited to Washing who are bachelors, to wit: Senor Oon Roberto Brenes Mesen, minister from Costa Rica; Mehdi Khan, the Per mian envoy; Dr. Alberto Membreno, min ster from Honduras; Dr. Carlos Manue de Cespedes, minister from Cuba; Vis ount d'Alte, the Portuguese represents ive, and the Danish minister, Con-

tantine Brun. The Cuban minister is a newcome and promises to be a welcome addition to social circles and a boon to the hostess. In addition to being a distin-

plenipotentiary, and a bachelor in the bargain, will not be with us this season, much to the disgust of the feminine contingent. He is a man of wide atainments, a delightful host, and the

The United States Senate has a fine my news. ins its reputation for veracity. None when the excitement is over

to knows him can believe it. designing names-but wary and unalnable. Nevertheless, he is a disrt social asset to the town, and enrtains delightfully in his fine house Massachusetts avenue. Senator Pen-

se and Senator Brandagee are two "marriageable eligibles," as a that mellow age, when a man is till considered young-if he is single. The Damon and Pythias of the House, ongressman McKellar of Tennessee. end young Maurice Connolly of Iowa, re both languishing in single blessedess. Mr. Connolly, particularly, is a raduate of Cornell University, of the ew York Law School, and took -aduate courses at Oxford and at the olversity of Heidelberg. He is presint or director of half a dozen manacturing firms, banks, etc., back ame, and is withal just a nice, attrace, unassuming chap. He bears the e first native born and the voungest in ever elected from the monkeyen h" district which he represents in enator from lowa, with every prospect success, and, if he is elected will

Always a mecca for the army and vv. Washington boasts just now an number of bachelor officers tractive, is chief of the Bureau of avigation, with the brevet rank of admiral. He it was, who, during Snanish war, made reconnoisances and Santiago and carried messages Admiral Sampson to the Cuban mmanders. Lieutenant Commander idley McLean is serving as judge adocate general of the navy, another sition of real importance, and is a cat social favorite. In his office, sinillarly known as the "J. A. G.'s Deis young Adolph Staten, who omanded the landing battalion of the Sin oth Carolina at Vera Cruz. He is the oner of a new automobile, and bids

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> closed, by the way. The fifteenth of September marked the curl of the sca-There are some nice new army people h Washington this winter, the Kingsburys. Colonel Kingsbury, who was in command of the Eighth Cavalry is retired and he and Mrs. Kingsbury have bought an attractive house in Wyom-ing avenue. They have two charming daughters, Clara and Elizabeth, and a son at West Point. They have never lived here before and don't know many people outside the army set, but the girls are dead attractive and are bound to have a good tine. They have their own little electric and make good use of it.
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> Miss Neilsen and Mr. Martin; (a)

Anne and Evelina de Captain Gleaves, who has been in command of the New York navy yard, has been ordered to the Utah, and the family expect to come here. They are now in Winchester, Va., I think. They were stationed here when the girls were youngsters but I don't think they have been backstice Anne made her debut, though she has visited here several times. They are both unusually pretty girls, and will be a decided addition to navy circles. I saw the sweetest picture the other day, a copy of a madonna in some little church in Newport or Jamestown, for which Evelina Gleaves posed.

I just heard today that Gracie Bell, Mrs. Granville Fortescue, has a new baby, her third little daughter. This programs.

baby, her third little daughter. This the programs. old. The Fortescue family are well scattered these days. They have been living in Belgium for some time, you know, but right now Mr. Fortescue is off somewhere in the wake of the armies, as near to the fighting as it is possible for him to penetrate. Grace and the new baby are in England, and the two little girls are at Twin Oaks.

The Washington series of three concerts by the Philadelphia crehestra will be inaugurated at the New National Theater Tuesday afternoon, December 15. Mme. Schuman-Heink will be the assisting artist at the initial performance. the two little girls are at Twin Oaks with Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Bell. Bobbie Bell. it seems, was abroad this summer, and, when he came home. prought the two youngsters to stay with their grandmother and grand-

Speaking of bachelors—and I believe
I mentioned them a while back—rendered Cavalry School at Saumur, in France, and, being on the ground when the trouble began, was naturally allowed to stay. He is now attached to the American embassy in Paris; and I read in the

Mrs. Harry Oelrichs, she was the beautiful Esther Moreland from Pitts-I see the McAdoos very often these burgh, and her husband arrived in a fine looking man, with brains and days either driving toward or away New York the other day, after closing from the Treasury Department. Mrs. their English country home for a while. McAdoo is wearing mourning, of course, Mrs. Moreland is in London and the But a truce to this tirade. I could go on for an hour, but fear I have taken more time with the writing than you will care to spend on the reading a small social tragedy.

But a truce to this tirade. I could McAdoo is wearing mourning, of course, Mrs. Moreland is in London and the McAdoo is wearing mourning, of course, but it is not the heavy variety, and it is extremely becoming. They have a machine, but seem to prefer driving, Maryes will leave for their post in the reading machine, but seem to prefer driving, Maryes will leave for their post in the reading machine, but seem to prefer driving, Maryes will leave for their post in the reading machine, but seem to prefer driving. and I believe Mrs. McAdoo goes to Russia just as soon as they can cross the North Sea in safety. Little Helen Marye is here in town with her aunt, Apropos of Eleanor Wilson-maybe it Miss Flora Doyle, and just now Mrs. Oelrich's sister, Clara Moreland, is pect to join the Ambassador and Mrs. Marye in Petrograd when things have

> Lee McClung, the former United the road to recovery. Did you know he was a famous football player in his day, a member of the famous Yale team of 1891 that went through the entire of 1891 that went through the entire of the famous Yale team of the season at the D. A. R. Hall. season without being scored on-and largely on his merits, they say. Mr. McClung doesn't say anything about

Edith Gracie tells me that she has set riage to Capt. Ralph Goldthwalte,

wisitors perfectly. She spoke of the conflicting tales she had since heard of the treatment of Americana by the Germans. They had a courier in Paris, where they stopped off a day or two on their way home, who gave them harrowing details of the experiences of two and two

The paymaster general of the search border of the paymaster general of the navy, annuel McGowan, is an unusually such the youngest head the pay corps of the navy has ever had—but I believed it wrote you of him before. Then, Major Frank Beach, recently ordered to let War College, is an army officer of muses service with troops and made that promise to be all the style of himself in military circles, but properties in the last winter of the nave has seen connuous service with troops and made that promise to be all the style of himself in military circles, but notes that promise to be an army of the nave has been home since they were marked with the same for himself in military circles.

I was so glad to get your telegroun, honey, saying that you could come for the 14th as well as the 21st. Many graduate of West Point, and with her mother, Mrs. Frank Hollis White, makes her home with him, She had a woonderful summer, visiting on Long Island and at West Point, and stopped this fall? They are too adorable for words, a ribbon, a whisp of tule and a bright-colored flower or bunch of heart of the younger girls in all Wash-lington. She is a granddaughter of Gen. Horatio Gates Gibson, the oldest living graduate of West Point, and with her mother, Mrs. Frank Hollis White, makes her home with him, She had a woonderful summer, visiting on Long Island and at West Point, and stopped the safely married without you.

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It was so glad to get your telegroun, honey, saying that you could favor the same for by a such joy for me to have you with me, for mother leaves the sth. and I shall be frightfully long-some till you come. Aunt Nellie and I shall be frightfully long-some till you come. Aunt Nellie and I shall be frightfully long-some till you come. Aunt Nellie and I shall be frightfully long-some till you come. Aunt Nellie and I shall be frightfully long-some till you come. Aunt Nellie and I will keep house logethe, with I will be such joy for me to have

ALICE NIELSEN WILL

Notable Program Arranged for afternoon. Dr. Cook has taken the plat-Cross Benefit Con-

Cornelia Claggett and her mother, Mrs. John Rozier Claggett, have been at Appomattox visiting Anna Portner Flood for the last week or two. Mr. Flood has only been able to get away for flying visits, but I hear Anna is coming home for good about the first of October.

The Gleaves expect to come to Washington this winter, that is, Mrs. Gleaves, who has been in command of the New York navy yard, has been independent of the last week or decided in the forest. Lindon Ronald; (c) "The Pensive Spinner," from Op. 10, Ganz; (b) "The Elves," from Op. 12, Korngold; (c) "Mignon," Liszt; (d) Rhapsody in C major, Rolpanzi Mrs.

Tuesday afternoon, November 24, will mark the opening of the Washington engagement for three concerts by the New York Philharmonic Society at the New National Theater. The soloist and the New National Theater. New National Theater. The soloist an-nounced for this concert is Mme.

has had applications from pupils from the adjoining cities, Portland, Bidde-ford, Kennebunk, York Beach, and

During his recent trip to New York, T. Arthur Smith completed the booking for two appearances of the famous Flonzala Quartet, one on the afternoon of November & and the other on Jan-uary 30. Mr. Smith also announces the engagement of Julia Cuip early in the

Felice Lyne, the wonderful your Felice Lyne, the wonderful young American soprano, who has taken London by storm, may be heard in Washington this season. An evidence of her wonderful popularity in England is shown by the fact that her engagement at Covent Garlien is the only big musical event that has not been canceled on account of the war.

Mrs. Huron W. Lawson has been reengaged for song recitals in Danville and Woodstock, Va., and also at the Hannah More Academy, near Baltimore, during

Miss Marie McCourt will resume her classes in plane, beginning September 27. The better part of Miss McCourt's vacation was passed at Columbia University where she took special work. Her course included musical apprecia-

Otto T. Simon announces that the first States Treasurer, has been having a hard time in London lately. He writes that he has had a "fever jag," typhoid ing, October 6, at 8 o'clock. Applicants ing, October 6, at 8 o'clock. Applicants for membership may meet the director

coming nome in his letters.

Lanette Smith will go to Albany to be bridesimsid for Agnes Pruyn at her marriage to Capt. Ralph Goldthwaite, recovered from a severy attack of typhoid fever, but will open her Washington classes formally on October I. At

Quite. "Mrs. Alden has five children; if there

Several hands were raised.
"Anna may tell us," said teacher.
"How many children would she have,
Arma?" Enough."-Pittsburgh Post.

Talkative.

She Did you enjoy the opera last midit. Herr Schwartz? He No: I couldn't bear anything She Why not? He Two ladies sat in front of me and chatted the whole evening about

Pertinent Query. Mrs. McLubberty-Here's some pills Murty, that Mrs. Hogan was afther sindin' over for yez. She says they'll aither kill or cure yez. She says they'll McLubberty (who is ill) Begorra, did she say which dhey would do foorst?

and chatted the whole evening about how much they loved music.—Tit-Bits

Cruel.

JEAN ELIOT. | gets up at 7.-Columbia Jester.

Dr. Cook Lectures on North Pole Discovery | Aiding "Plucked" Officers

Dr. Frederick A. Cook made serious harges against and cast reflections pon those whom he declared to be reponsible for his failure to receive ecognition as the discoverer of the the greater portion of the officers now North Pole, at a lecture delivered at the on the retired list should not be re-Masonic Temple auditorium yesterday stored to the active list," Secretary of form to prove to the American people the priority of his discovery of the A crowded house greeted the ex-

plorer, and evidence that there are still hundreds of people who believe in the contentions of Dr. Cook was had in the prolonged applause which intermittently occurred during his argument.

Relief Party Called Back.

Orders for the return of Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge and

Daniels Opposes Bill

Taking the position that if Congress adopts a policy of reinstating officers who have been retired by the "plucking" board "there is no reason why the Navy Daniels has made an unfavorable report on the bills for the rein-statement of Captains Hill, Gibboss, Rust, Leonard and Kellogg and Com-mander Veeder. Secretary Daniels took the position that there was nothing in the testimony at hearings on these bills to show that the proceedings of the board were not strictly in accordance with law, and while so acting, he held, Congress should not everrule the board.

Time Tells. "How long shall I arrange my house

"Well, if he loses, that isn't pleasant. And he wins, mother always says she's glad to see him winning. He takes another, make it a week; if you want 'em all mortal enemies for life, make it two weeks."—Pittsburgh Post.

"Well, if he loses, that isn't pleasant. And he wins, mother always says she's glad to see him winning. He takes a poor loses; and that pass him up in the air."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Bristow, Hurt Felling Tree, Is Back in Senate

Senator Bristow of Kansas has reumed his duties in the Senate after being absent for a week or more on account of a serious accident. He was engaged some days ago in helping his son, who owns a farm near Washington in Virginia, cut down a tree. It was necessary to make it fall in a certain direction and a rope was hitched to it for that purpose. As the tree fell, Senator Bristow was entangled in the rope, thrown to the ground and severely bruised. For some days he had to walk on crutches, but is now recovered.

Coming and Going.

"How's that?"

"Well, if he loses, that isn't pleas-



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MISS HELEN HEYL

shal for the District of Columbia, is a Here's Helen Heyl's new picture chap who should not be forgotten. He Isn't it attractive? Just think, Saturis a fine, upstanding young fellow, and high in favor with the Administration.

And no even casual list of eligible today. Helen looks awfully well these least because the same of the light same of the looks awfully well these looks awfully well the looks awfully well these looks awfully well the looks awfully Washington men is complete without days. I met her the other afternoon, side Paris.

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hem Senator Burton of Ohio, said to I met Dorothy McCombs downtown the most popular dinner guest in the other day, in an attractive blue tafisn't so apropos after all, but anyway Oelrich's sister, Clara Moreland, is the most popular dinner guest in the other day, in an attractive blue tafisn't so apropos after all, but anyway Oelrich's sister, Clara Moreland, is the other day, in an attractive blue tafisn't so apropos after all, but anyway Oelrich's sister, Clara Moreland, is Senate. It is commonly averred feta gown and a black velvet hat. She it is a good yarn-I heard a story the at he is iron-clad and copper-riveted was as amusing and bright as ever, and other day about the President's grand-

Mrs. Bentley was telling me, the other irse, a prize from the point of view day, of her European experiences. She and Mr. Bentley were safely out of Germany before the trouble commenced.

but were marooned in Switzerland, at

Lucerne, for over a month. "That, however, sounds worse than it really was," she said, "for we were thoroughly comfortable, and the Swiss managed nd of mine used to call them, both to look after the crowds of stranded visitors perfectly." She spoke of the

the youngest member of the Senate.

some time in Norfolk, where the Masome time in Norfolk, where the Maflower, to which Lieutenant Sumson is
alfalted, is at present being repaired,
but no description of the overdoors, and its form all old French classes, on were
fection and in more than grieved. There
but no description is form the overdoors, and its formassed
with real mose on pieces and to Mrs. Hoke Smith and Calife are going home to Georgia about the first of options to be gone until the first of options and Lucy expects to keep house for her father while the are gone. The Mayflower probably will come to Washington as soon as her repairs are completed, so it will be very nice for her later on, they may make a trip to Georgia also, and Lucy says she is cracy about the idea, as neither sile nor Lieupann Simpson—he is from Georgia, too—hav, been home since they were mar.

In this bas been a continuous round of parties with real musseum pieces and it is furnished with real musseum pieces and its thoroughly charming and attractive with it is a sure of the index of the lighting, netures, mostly old prints beingings, furnishing, etc., but Mrs. Clayton will stay on some time longer, making a round of visits.

Notably she will stop with Mrs. Oilic James. They are great friends, both Kentucky women, which is a strong bond of sympathy between them. Mrs. Clayton tells me she spent over two monitis in Kentucky this summer with her mother and had a royal good time.

I wonder if you ever saw Katherine. -have been home since they were mar-

meet distinction, who has seen conmoons service with troops and made
take for himself in military circles,
hother recent arrival is Capt. Duran Elliot, of the Fifth Cavalry, stamoon at Fort Myer. He is stood tool.
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General for the Postoffice Department

of thin, else he had been dead from inling out some fifteen years ago. The ongressional Directory states that he sixty-three years old and thereby open up to his eyes in work, busy, you know, with New York politics, and Dorothy says she certainly will be glad been up to his eyes in work busy, you would and edited a newspaper. Later than tickled me. It seems, though born in Virginia, he spent thrity years at Steubenville. Ohio, where he owned and edited a newspaper. Later the former United between the president's grand-father than tickled me. It seems, though born in Virginia, he spent thrity years at Steubenville. Ohio, where he owned and edited a newspaper. Later the performance of the p he went to Pittsburgh as editor and publisher of the Pennsylvania Advocate.
Many stories are told of Editor Wilson's terse and sometimes caustic comments He served one term in the Ohio legis-lature, where he conceived a strong antipathy for one Samuel Medary, and, on one occasion, his paper remarked, "Sam Medary's friends claim for him the merit of having been born in Ohio.

So was my dog, Towser,' The interesting sequel to this is that Samuel Medary became governor of Ohio, and one of James Wilson's sons married his daughter.

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